

United States Patent and Trademark Office

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE United States Patent and Trademark Office Address: COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450 www.uspto.gov

APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.
10/616,165	07/07/2003	John Dash	4109-66311	9749
7590 11/16/2006		EXAMINER		
JOHN DASH PH. D PHYSICS DEPT PORTLAND STATE UNIVERSITY PO BOX 751 PORTLAND, OR 97207-0751			PALABRICA, RICARDO J	
			ART UNIT	PAPER NUMBER
			3663	
			DATE MAILED: 11/16/2006	

Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

The examiner has determined that applicant's 10/2/06 Amendment violates the provisions of 37 CFR 1.3. Accordingly, the examiner has acted on said amendment in accordance with MPEP 714.19 (K).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Rick Palabrica whose telephone number is 571-272-6880. The examiner can normally be reached on 6:00-4:30, Mon-Thurs.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Jack Keith can be reached on 571-272-6878. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

Information regarding the status of an application may be obtained from the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system. Status information for published applications may be obtained from either Private PAIR or Public PAIR. Status information for unpublished applications is available through Private PAIR only. For more information about the PAIR system, see http://pair-direct.uspto.gov. Should you have questions on access to the Private PAIR system, contact the Electronic Business Center (EBC) at 866-217-9197 (toll-free). If you would like assistance from a USPTO Customer Service Representative or access to the automated information system, call 800-786-9199 (IN USA OR CANADA) or 571-272-1000.

RJP

November 9, 2006

RICARDO J. PALABRICA PRIMARY EXAMINED